GENERAL HOSPITAL
MAGIC
CHECK-UP COMPLETE. ALL PHYSICAL FUNCTIONS ARE NORMAL.
AS WITH MISS YOO HANA, IT WASN'T LIKE YOU HAD ANY INJURIES WHEN YOU WERE BROUGHT IN.
SO YOU'RE CLEARED FOR DISCHARGE.
FOR NOW, YOU SHOULD HEAD STRAIGHT BACK TO LE PRINCE.
YES.
OH, AND ALSO...
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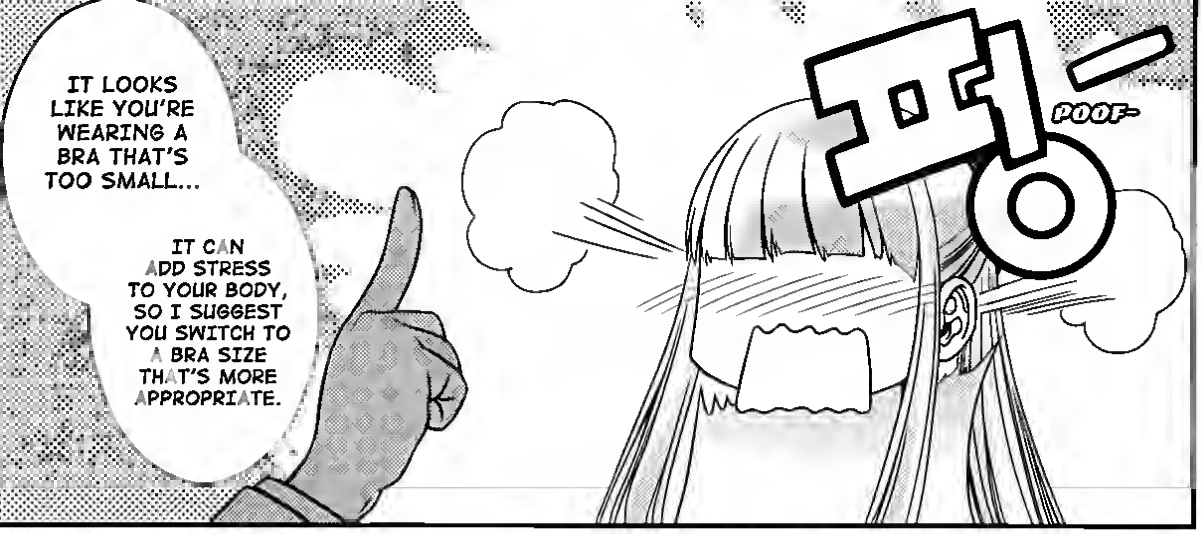
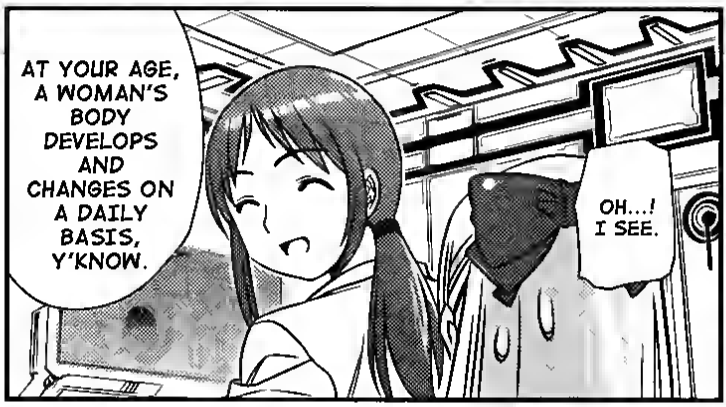
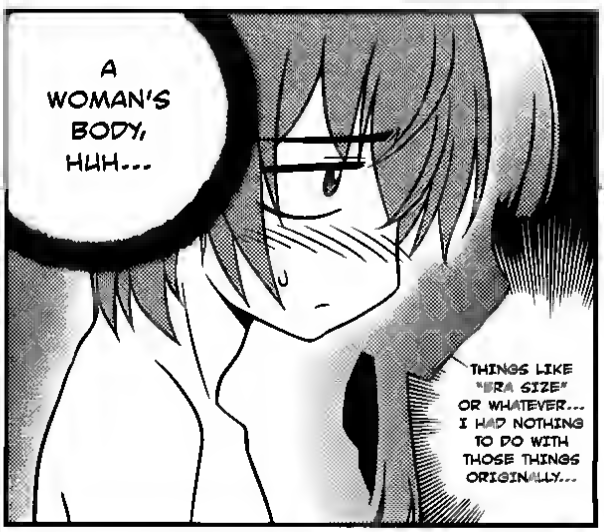
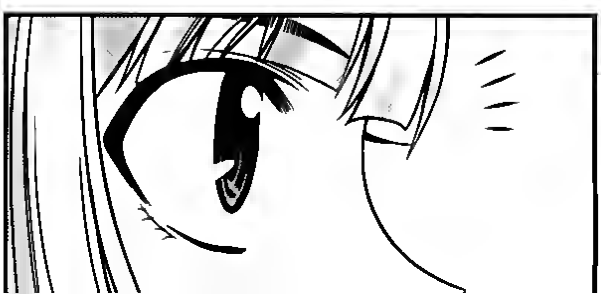

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE WEARING A BRA THAT'S TOO SMALL...
IT CAN ADD STRESS TO YOUR BODY, SO I SUGGEST YOU SWITCH TO A BRA SIZE THAT'S MORE APPROPRIATE.
POOF~


AT YOUR AGE, A WOMAN'S BODY DEVELOPS AND CHANGES ON A DAILY BASIS, Y'KNOW.
OH...! I SEE.

ZIIING

SIGH~


A WOMAN'S BODY, HUH...
THINGS LIKE "BRA SIZE" OR WHATEVER... I HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THOSE THINGS ORIGINALLY...



NODDING OFF
SHOCK
HANA?!
WERE YOU WAITING TO GO BACK WITH ME?
BLUSH
WHAT?!
D- DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA!
EVERYONE KNOWS YOU AND I DISAPPEARED DURING CLASS... SO IF I'D GONE BACK FIRST,
THEY WOULD HAVE GRILLED ME ENDLESSLY, AND I JUST DIDN'T WANT TO GO THROUGH THAT, THAT'S ALL!!
RIGHT NOW, IT SEEMS I'M HAVING MORE TROUBLE...
UNDERSTANDING A WOMAN'S MIND THAN A WOMAN'S BODY.

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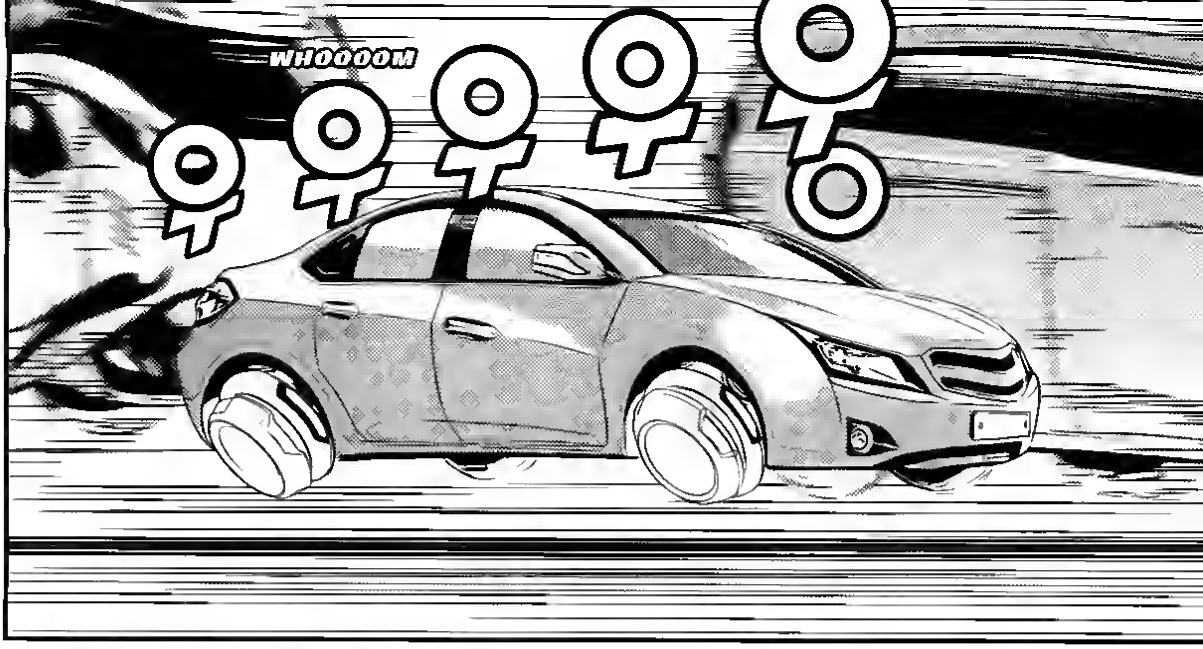
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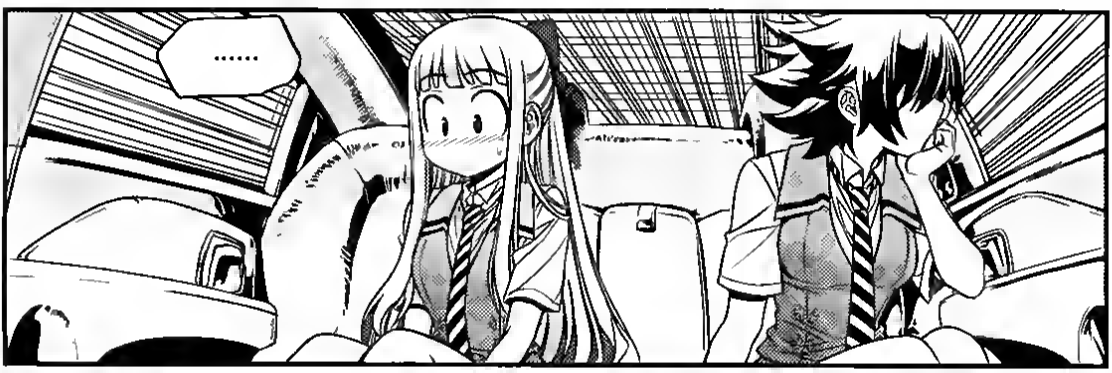
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WUOH~
AWKWARD
AWKWARD
WHY SUCH A SOMBER MOOD NOW?

HEY, YOU.
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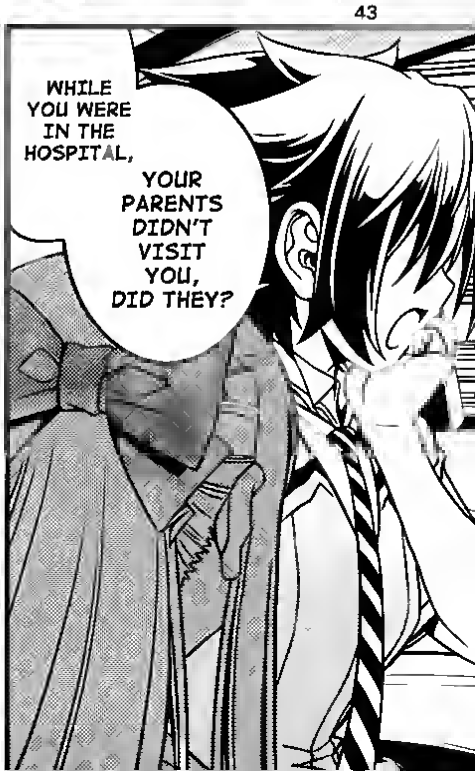
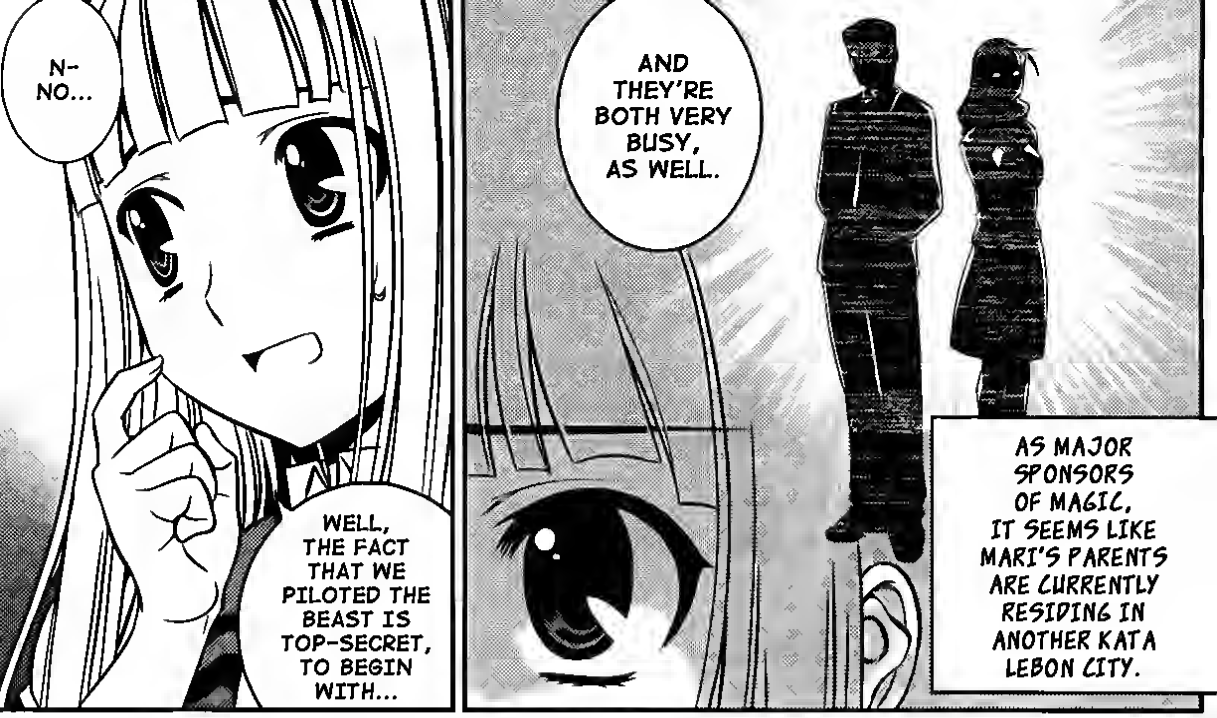
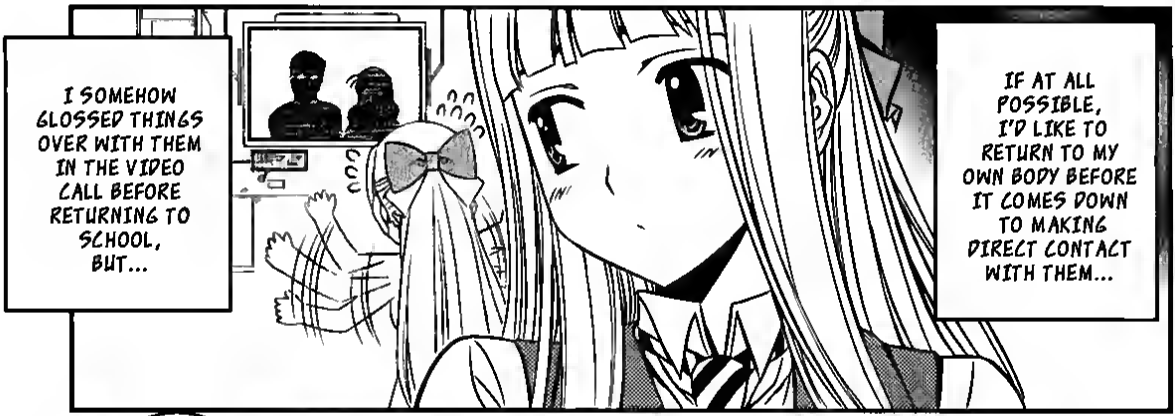

WHILE YOU WERE IN THE HOSPITAL, YOUR PARENTS DIDN'T VISIT YOU, DID THEY?


N-NO...
WELL, THE FACT THAT WE PILOTED THE BEAST IS TOP-SECRET, TO BEGIN WITH...
AND THEY'RE BOTH VERY BUSY, AS WELL.
AS MAJOR SPONSORS OF MAGIC, IT SEEMS LIKE MARI'S PARENTS ARE CURRENTLY RESIDING IN ANOTHER KATA LEBON CITY.


I SOMEHOW GLOSSED THINGS OVER WITH THEM IN THE VIDEO CALL BEFORE RETURNING TO SCHOOL, BUT...
IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, I'D LIKE TO RETURN TO MY OWN BODY BEFORE IT COMES DOWN TO MAKING DIRECT CONTACT WITH THEM...

SOUNDS GOOD ENOUGH TO ME.
AT LEAST YOU CAN MEET THEM WHENEVER YOU WANT, SINCE THEY'RE BOTH ALIVE...

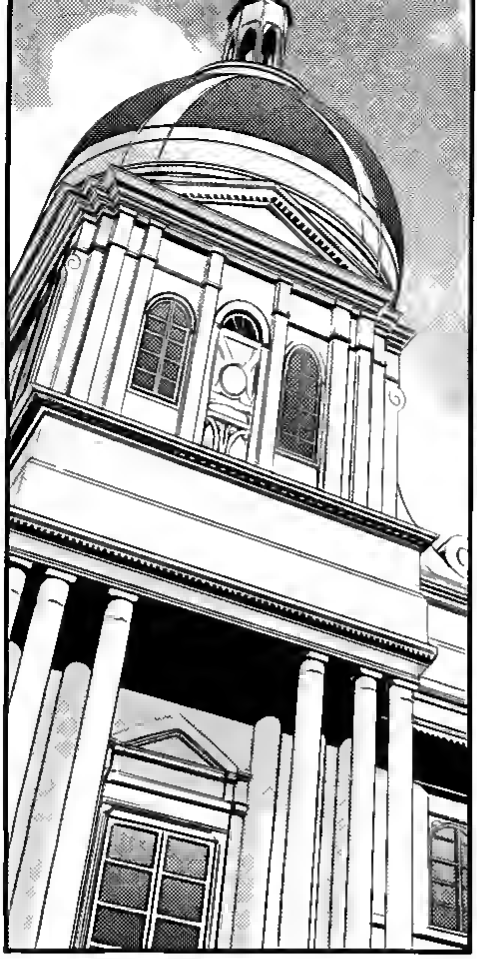
Y- YEAH.
AND AT LEAST CLAIRANCE AND CAROL
STOPPED BY...

AND YOU AND I GETTING DISCHARGED AT THE SAME TIME LIKE THIS
IS GOOD ENOUGH, I GUESS.

SUDDENLY
EH?

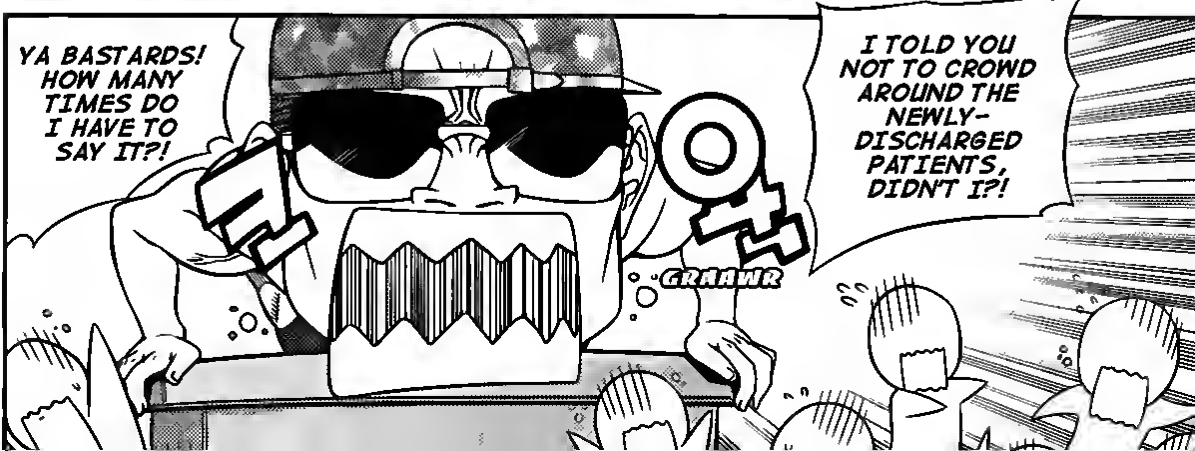
YOU...
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY ENOUGH TO BE DISCHARGED?

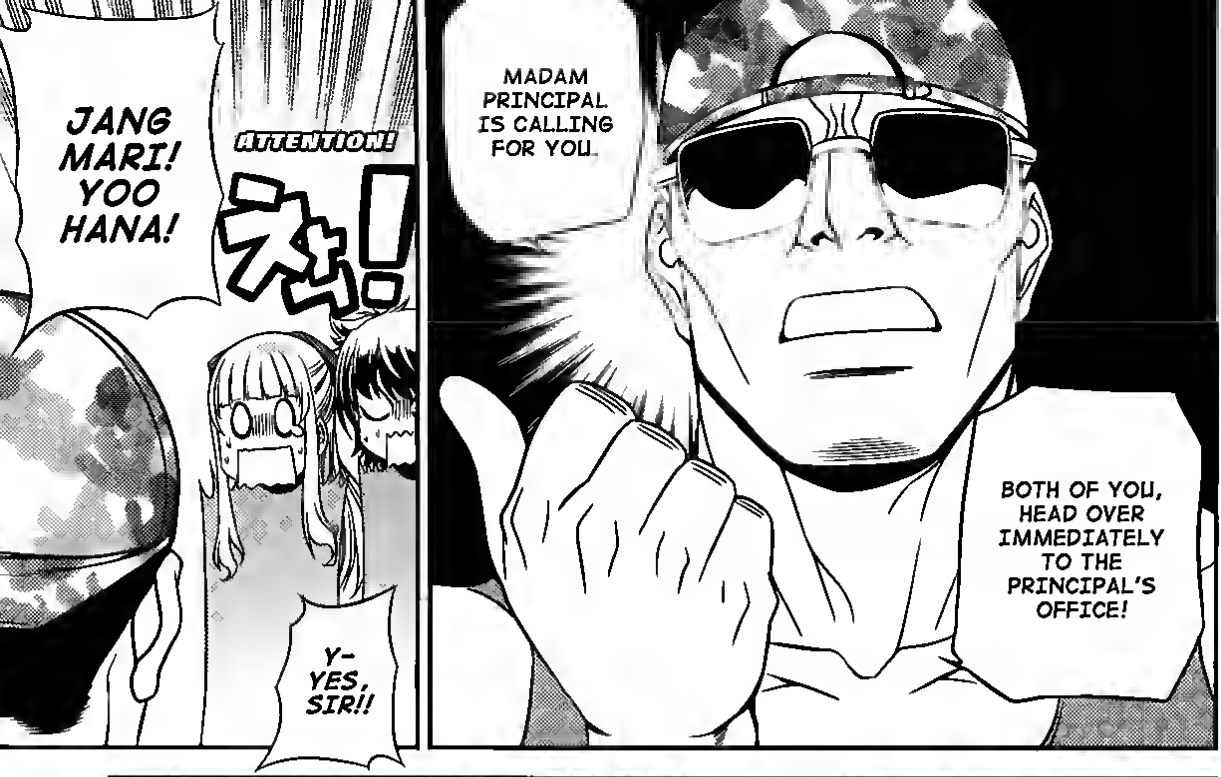
YOU'RE TOTALLY A DIFFERENT PERSON, Y'KNOW!! THE MARI I KNOW DOESN'T SAY SUCH CHEESY LINES! YOU SURE YOU DIDN'T HURT YOUR HEAD IN THAT LAST BATTLE?!!
WUOH ?!!
HEY! STOP BOUNCING AROUND BACK THERE, IT'S DANGEROUS!!
BUT...
THAT GUY...
MUTTERING
중얼
I GUESS HE MUST BE ALL ALONE IN HIS HOSPITAL ROOM, HUH?
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
I DIDN'T SAY NOTHIN' ~!!



CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RECOVERY, MARI AND HANA!
HEY, WHERE WERE YOU GUYS ON THAT DAY?!
IT'S GOT SOMETHING TO DO WITH THAT BEAST'S ARM THAT CAME CRASHING IN DURING THE TEST, RIGHT?!
THEY SAY LOTS OF EXPLOSIONS WERE HEARD FROM THE DIRECTION THAT YOU GUYS WENT OFF TO, Y'KNOW...!!

SO, IS THAT HOW IT GOES?
I'M SURE THEY TOLD CAROL AND CLAIRANCE TO NOT TALK ABOUT IT...


YA BASTARDS! HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO SAY IT?!
I TOLD YOU NOT TO CROWD AROUND THE NEWLY-DISCHARGED PATIENTS, DIDN'T I?!
GRRAWR


JANG MARI! YOO HANA!
ATTENTION!
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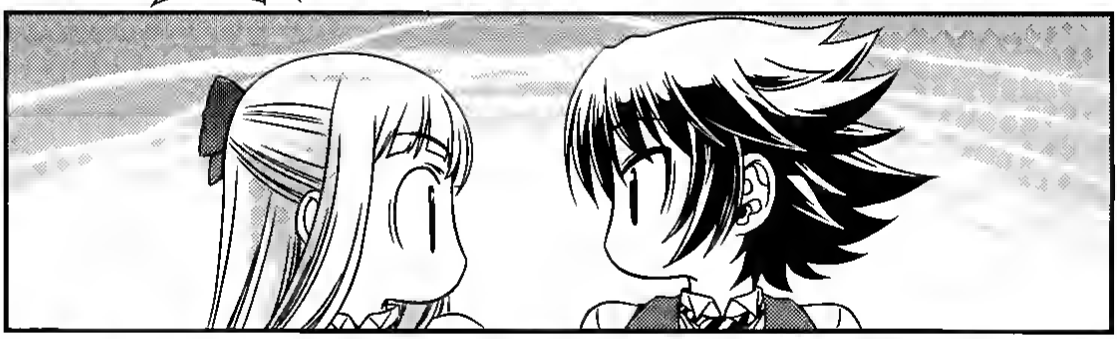
Y-YES, SIR!!
MADAM PRINCIPAL IS CALLING FOR YOU.
BOTH OF YOU, HEAD OVER IMMEDIATELY TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE!



WHOOOM
WHOOOM
WHOOOM

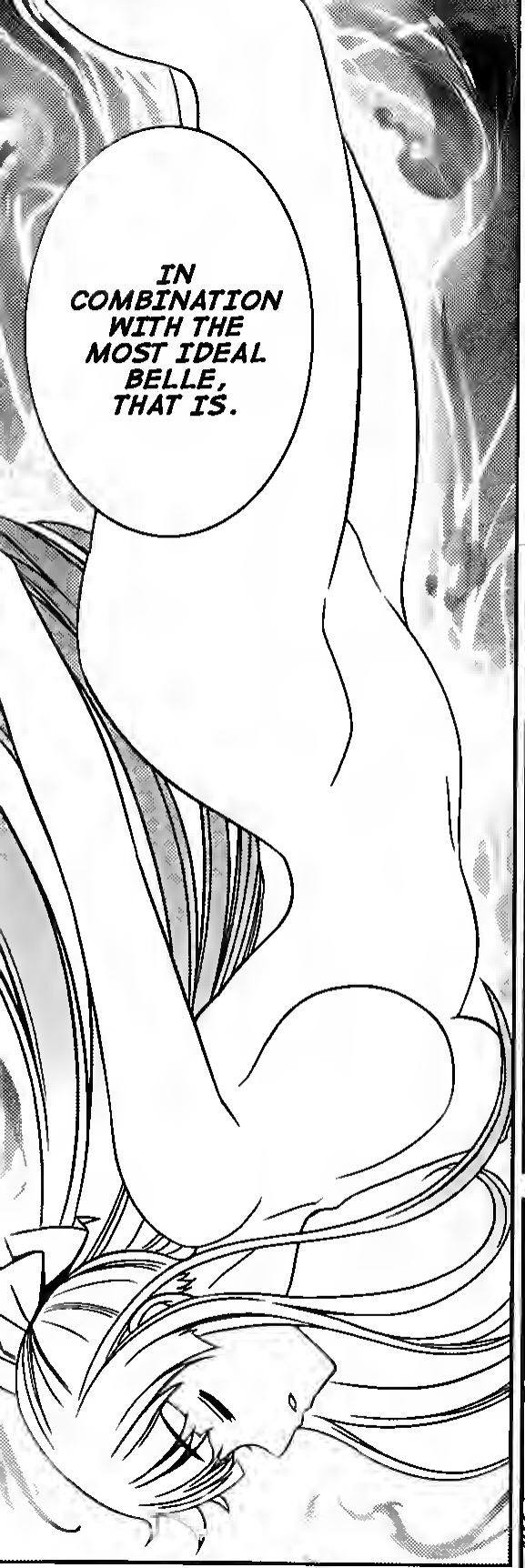
IS THAT... REALLY OKAY?
IT'S WHAT THE BEAST WANTS IN ORDER TO DEFEAT
THE 2ND-GENERATION ERASERS... SO I GUESS WE HAVE TO MAKE IT A REALITY.

I'VE TAKEN SOME MEASURES.
AND THAT'S WHY I CALLED HER IN, AS WELL...
HUMANS ARE SIMPLE.

SINCE IT'S SO EASY TO CHANGE ANY RULES THAT THEY SET UP FOR THEMSELVES... ALL FOR "THE GOOD OF MANKIND..."
IT WASN'T AS EASY AS THAT.
BUT MORE IMPOR-TANTLY...

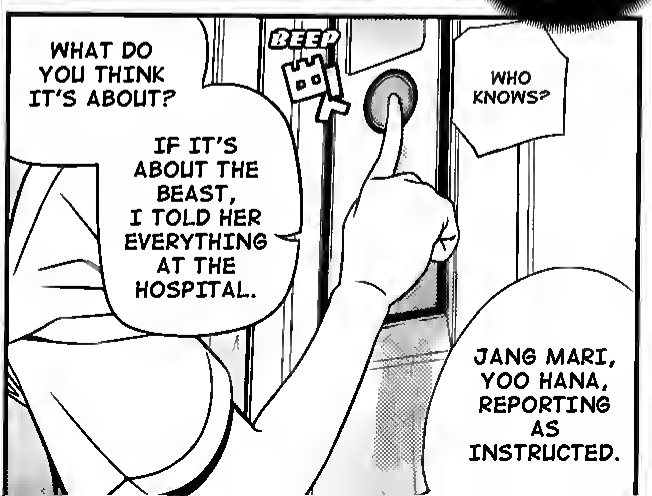
I FIND IT HARDER TO ACCEPT THAT YOU COULD SO EASILY CUT OFF YOUR HAIR LIKE THIS, Y'KNOW?
ALL I CUT WAS SOME HAIR.
AND IT WAS JUST THE ENDS WHICH WERE SINGED, RIGHT?
ISN'T IT OKAY?
ACCORDING TO YOU, THINGS LIKE HAIR WILL ALWAYS GROW BACK, AS LONG AS I'M ALIVE...
UGH...!
BUT REGARDLESS OF THE HAIR...
THIS "FORM" WILL ABSOLUTELY STAY THE SAME, ALWAYS.
UNTIL THE DAY THE 2ND-GENERATION ERASERS... "THE 21 SEALS"... ARE ALL DEFEATED...

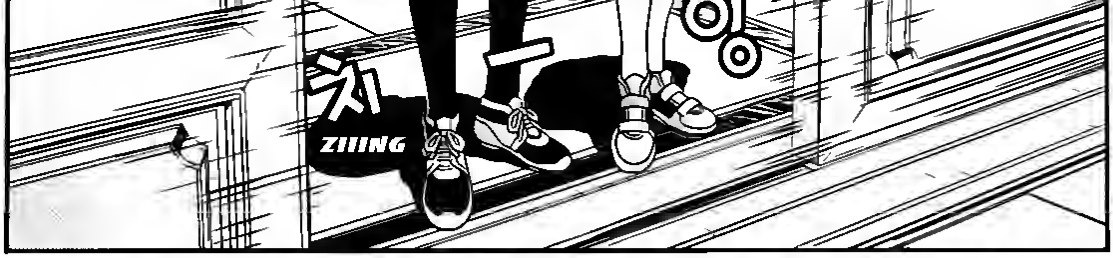
AND IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THAT...
WE NEED BEAST UNIT 9 TO FIGHT IN PERFECT FORM... RIGHT?


IN COMBINATION WITH THE MOST IDEAL BELLE, THAT IS.

PRINCIPAL

IT'S MY FIRST TIME AT THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE...
Y-YEAH...
I COME HERE QUITE OFTEN, THOUGH...


WHAT DO YOU THINK IT'S ABOUT?
IF IT'S ABOUT THE BEAST, I TOLD HER EVERYTHING AT THE HOSPITAL.
BEEP
WHO KNOWS?
JANG MARI, YOO HANA, REPORTING AS INSTRUCTED.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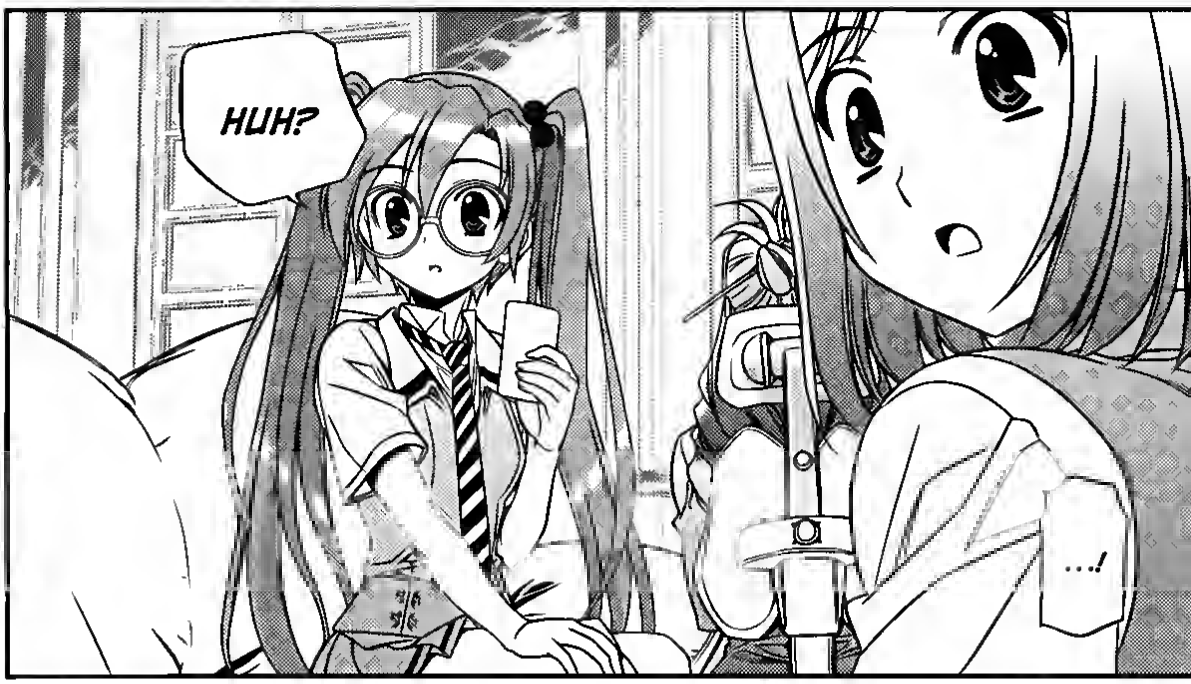
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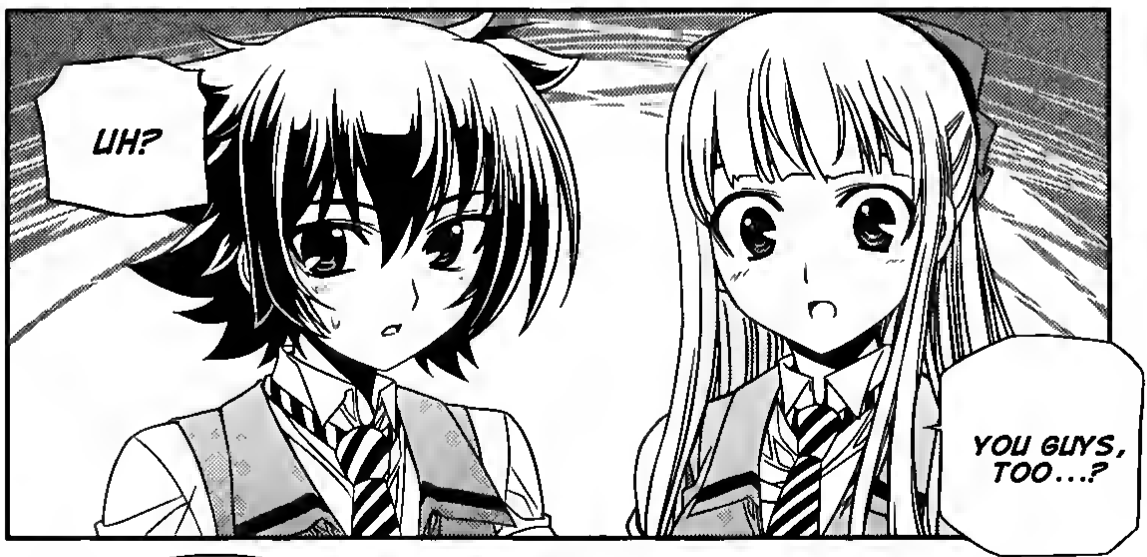
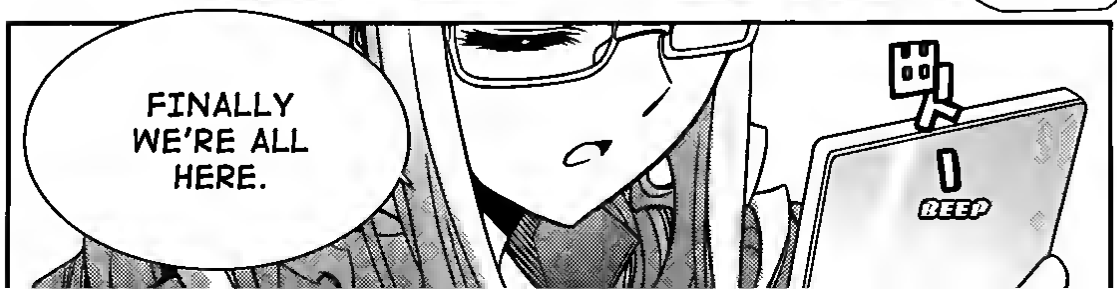

UH?
YOU GUYS, TOO...?


FINALLY WE'RE ALL HERE.
BEEP

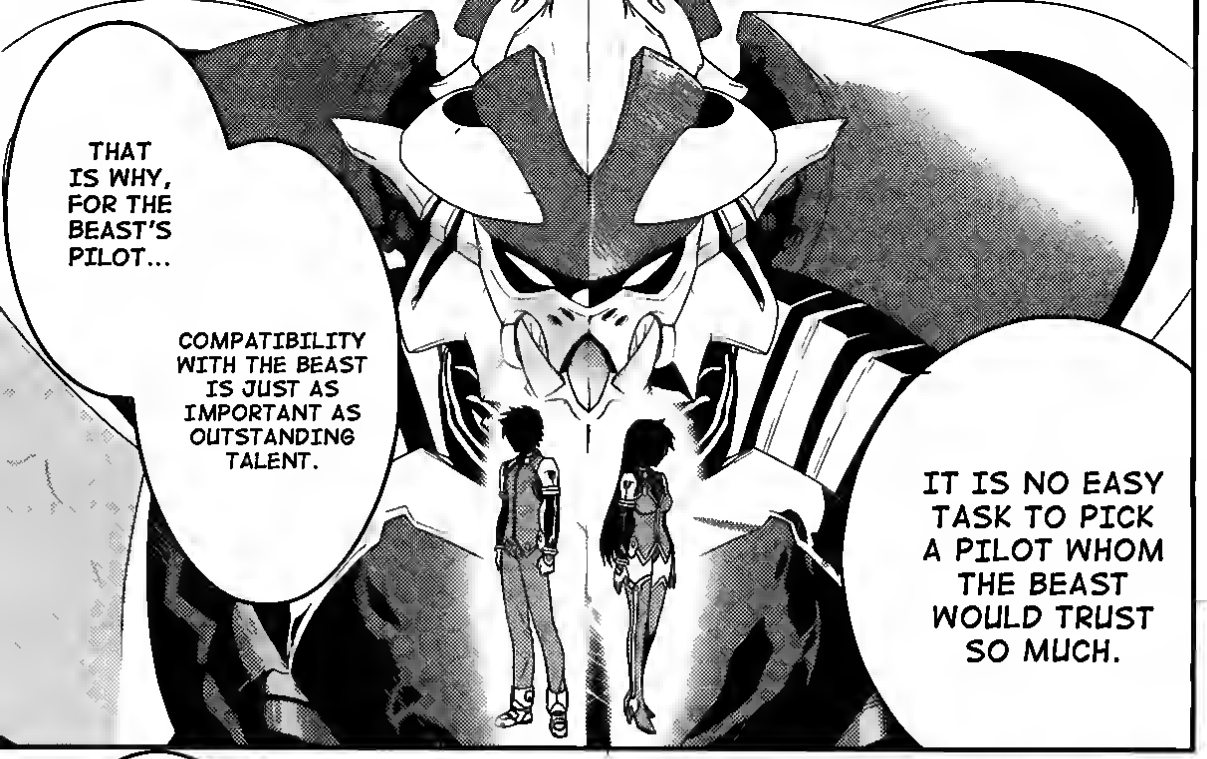
JANG MARI.
YOO HANA.
CAROL BROWN.
AND CLAIRANCE HO.

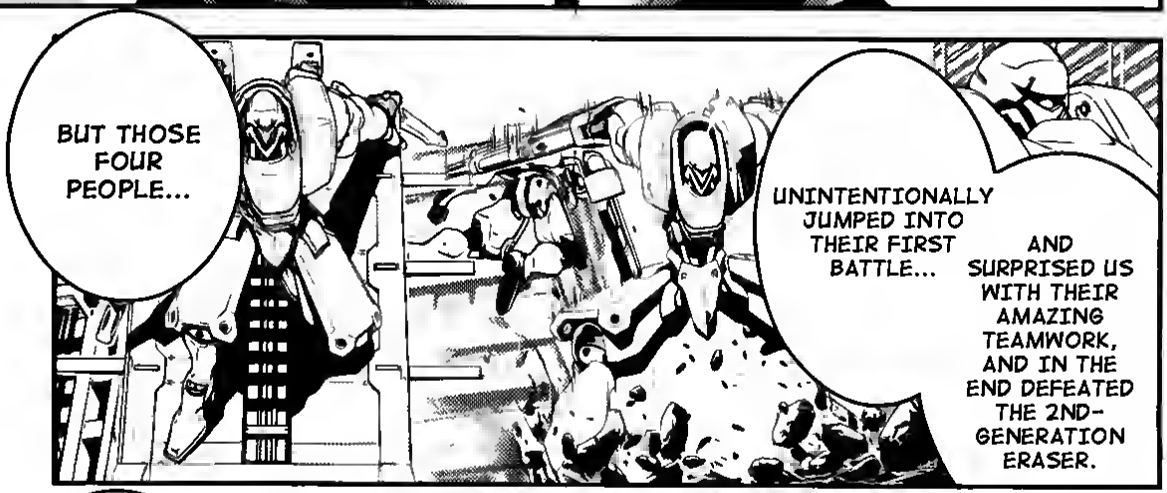
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED...
THAT FROM THIS MOMENT ON...
YOU ARE REGULAR TROOPS IN THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED 9TH BEAST SQUADRON.

FOR THE PILOTS OF BEAST UNIT 9 IN THE NEWLY-ESTABLISHED BEAST SQUADRON...
YOU'RE USING CADETS THAT ARE STILL IN SCHOOL, INSTEAD OF THE BEST POSSIBLE TROOPS AVAILABLE?!
THIS IS TOTAL NONSENSE!
AND AGAINST 2ND-GEN ERASERS, WHICH ARE INCOMPARABLY MORE POWERFUL THAN THE 1ST-GEN??
ON TOP OF WHICH, YOU'RE GIVING THEM THE UNSTABLE BEAST, WHICH WENT ROGUE LAST TIME?!!
DO YOU EVEN REALIZE HOW ENORMOUS A BUDGET WAS INVESTED INTO UNIT 9??
IT APPEARS THAT THIS TIME, YOU OWE US A THOROUGH EXPLANATION, MR. VINCENT.
I HAD ALREADY KNOWN THAT YOU WERE PLANNING ...
TO CHOOSE NEW MEMBERS FOR THE PILOTS OF BEAST UNIT 9.
...
BUT TO USE CADETS WHO AREN'T LE PRINCE GRADUATES OR MAGIC BRIGADE MEMBERS...

SO, WHAT IS YOUR REASON FOR ENTRUSTING THIS KATA LEBON... INDEED, THE FUTURE OF MANKIND...
TO A BUNCH OF GREENHORN ROOKIES?

UNLIKE THE GASTON UNITS THAT OUR MAGIC BRIGADE USES...
THE BEAST IS A MACHINE THAT HAS A MIND... IT IS NOT A SIMPLE PIECE OF WEAPONRY.


THAT IS WHY, FOR THE BEAST'S PILOT...
COMPATIBILITY WITH THE BEAST IS JUST AS IMPORTANT AS OUTSTANDING TALENT.
IT IS NO EASY TASK TO PICK A PILOT WHOM THE BEAST WOULD TRUST SO MUCH.

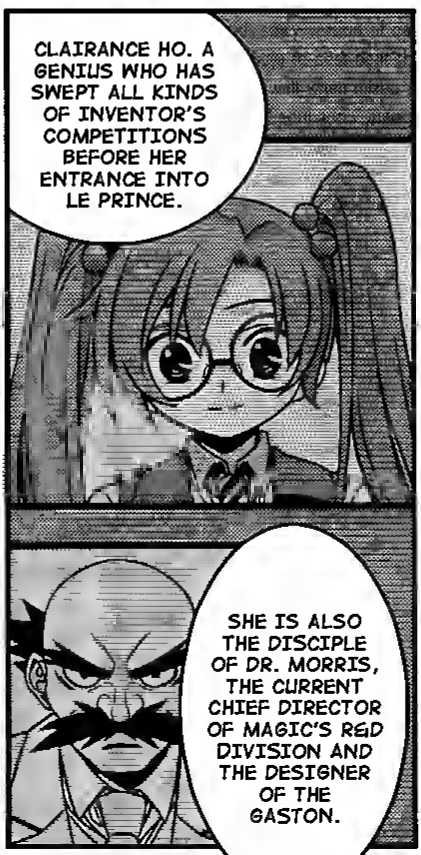

BUT THOSE FOUR PEOPLE...
UNINTENTIONALLY JUMPED INTO THEIR FIRST BATTLE...
AND SURPRISED US WITH THEIR AMAZING TEAMWORK, AND IN THE END DEFEATED THE 2ND-GENERATION ERASER.

ABOVE ALL ... MISS JANG MARI, WHO HAD THE POSITION OF THE "BELLE"...
WAS ABLE TO SEDATE THE OUT-OF-CONTROL BEAST UNIT 9 ON HER FIRST TRY.
MURMUR MURMUR

JANG MARI.
THE HONOR STUDENT WHO HAS NEVER LOST HER TOP RANKING SINCE HER ENTRANCE, AND EXPECTED TO BECOME A BEAST PILOT.

YOO HANA.
SECOND IN TALENT AFTER JANG MARI... HER OUTSTANDING BATTLE SENSIBILITIES MAKE HER MORE THAN A MATCH AGAINST SOME INSTRUCTORS.

CAROL BROWN. HER ACADEMIC RECORDS ARE AVERAGE, BUT SHE POSSESSES ABOVE-AVERAGE PHYSIQUE...
AND SUPERB DRIVING SKILLS, WITH WHICH SHE CAN OPERATE ANY VEHICLE. SHE IS ALSO FAMILIAR WITH SWORDS, SPEARS, AND VARIOUS OTHER WEAPONRY.

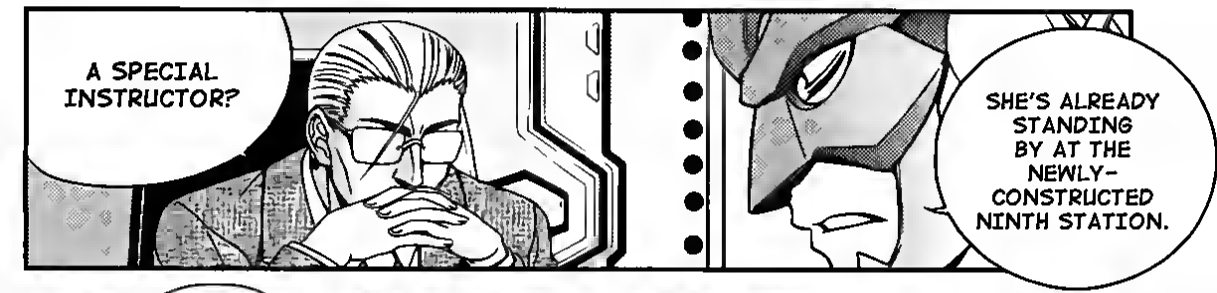

CLAIRANCE HO. A GENIUS WHO HAS SWEPT ALL KINDS OF INVENTOR'S COMPETITIONS BEFORE HER ENTRANCE INTO LE PRINCE.
SHE IS ALSO THE DISCIPLE OF DR. MORRIS, THE CURRENT CHIEF DIRECTOR OF MAGIC'S R&D DIVISION AND THE DESIGNER OF THE GASTON.

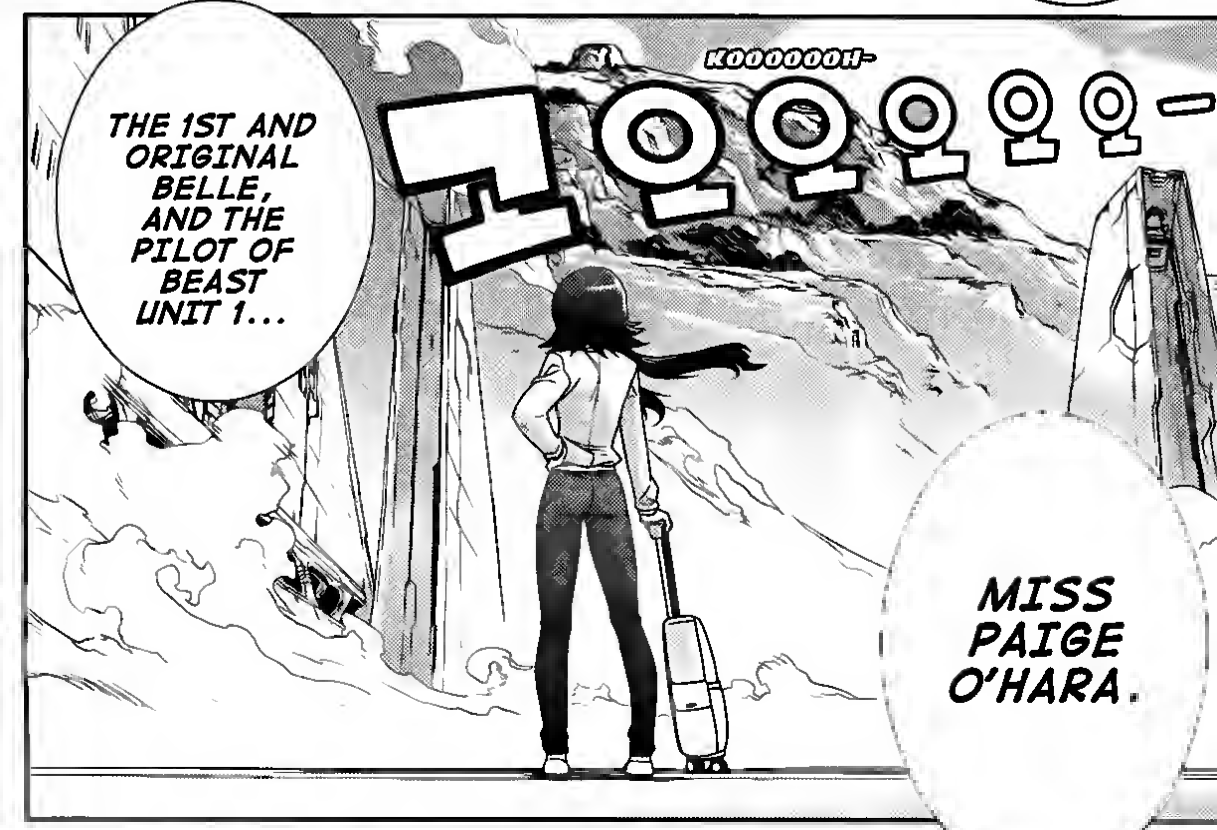
HM?
SCRATCH
긁적

I SEE...

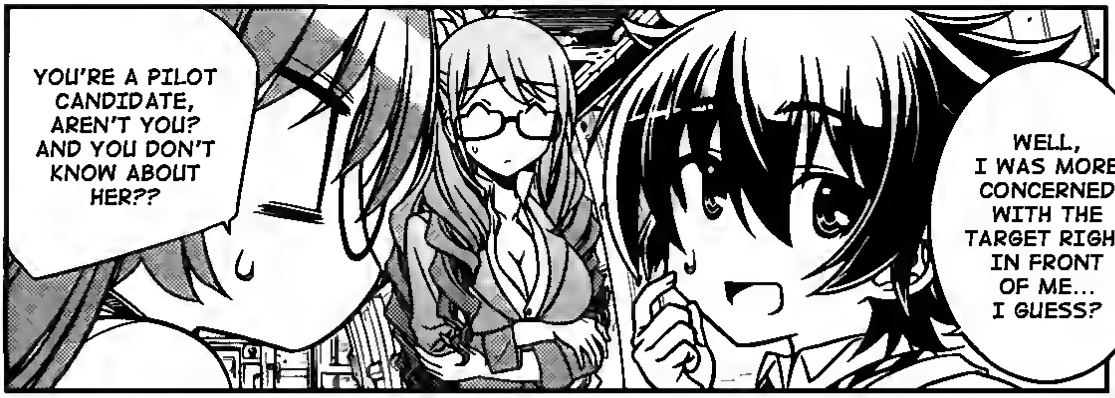
I'D SAY IT WAS MORE A MIRACLE THAN LUCK...
YES, IT IS.
SO, OUT OF SHEER LUCK, THESE EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE HAPPENED TO COME TOGETHER IN THAT ONE PLACE, ON THAT DAY...
EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE EXCEPTIONAL BEYOND COMPARE, THEY ARE STILL STUDENTS. THERE MIGHT BE STRONG OBJECTIONS FROM THE CURRENT BEAST SQUADRON MEMBERS; HOW WILL YOU DEAL WITH THAT?
IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN LUCK, BUT THE BATTLE OUTCOME WAS BETTER THAN WHAT A REGULAR PILOT COULD HAVE ACHIEVED.
AND SHOWED OFF THEIR POTENTIAL, BY PILOTING THE NEWLY BORN BEAST AND OBLITERATING THE 2ND-GEN ERASER... IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

I SHALL CHOOSE A SPECIAL INSTRUCTOR, WHO WILL FOCUS ON TEACHING THOSE GIRLS...
AND IN 2 MONTHS, THEY WILL FIGHT IN A SIMULATION BATTLE AGAINST AN ACTIVE-DUTY BEAST TEAM.
IF THE RESULTS ARE CONVINCING ENOUGH, I DOUBT THERE WILL BE ANY COMPLAINTS.


A SPECIAL INSTRUCTOR?
SHE'S ALREADY STANDING BY AT THE NEWLY-CONSTRUCTED NINTH STATION.


KOOOOOOH-
THE 1ST AND ORIGINAL BELLE, AND THE PILOT OF BEAST UNIT 1...
MISS PAIGE O'HARA.

PAIGE O'HARA !!!
THE PERSON WHO PILOTED THE FIRST BEAST, UNIT 1, AT THE AGE OF 14...!
AND DEMOLISHED 11 ERASERS IN HER FIRST SORTIE... YOU MEAN THAT LEGENDARY PILOT HERSELF?!
SHE IS GOING TO BE...
OUR INSTRUCTOR ?!
IS SHE REALLY THAT AMAZING?
OF COURSE. SHE'S THE OBJECT OF WORSHIP FOR EVERY PILOT CANDIDATE OUT THERE~!


YOU'RE A PILOT CANDIDATE, AREN'T YOU? AND YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT HER??
WELL, I WAS MORE CONCERNED WITH THE TARGET RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME... I GUESS?

BEAST UNIT 1...
THE FIRST EVER PILOT!
BOOM
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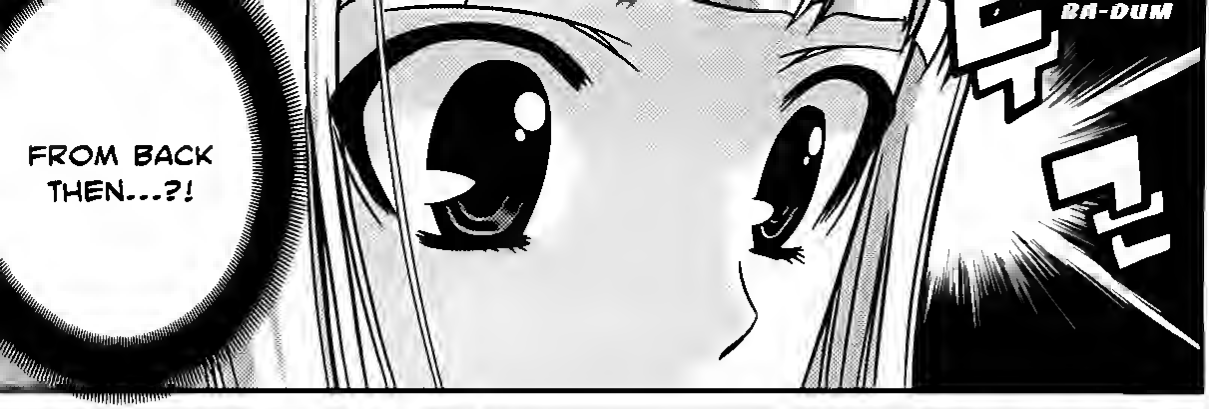
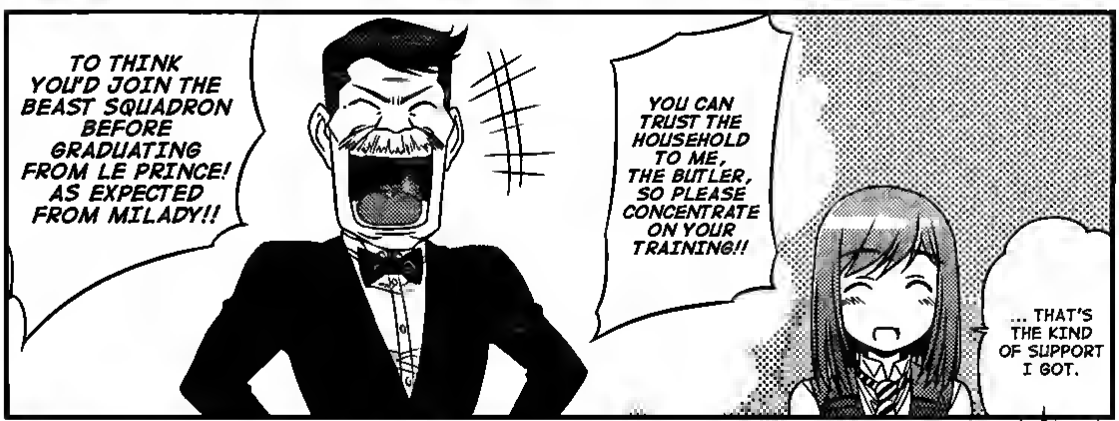
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM


FROM BACK THEN...?!
BA-DUM

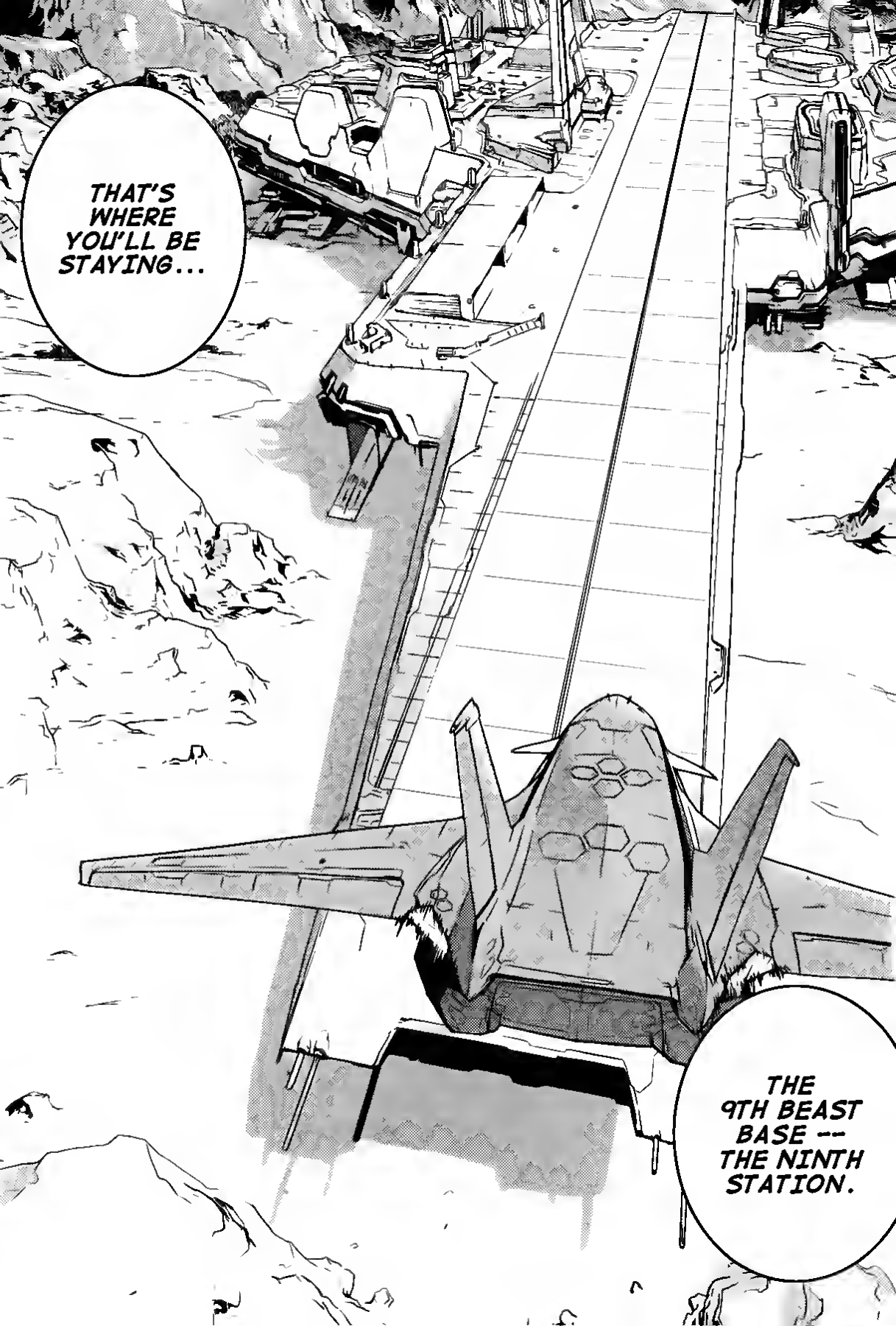
THIS TURNED OUT TO BE SOMETHING QUITE OUTRAGEOUS ...

CAROL, IS EVERYTHING OKAY?
OH, YES, I WAS A BIT SURPRISED BUT...


TO THINK YOU'D JOIN THE BEAST SQUADRON BEFORE GRADUATING FROM LE PRINCE! AS EXPECTED FROM MILADY!!
YOU CAN TRUST THE HOUSEHOLD TO ME, THE BUTLER, SO PLEASE CONCENTRATE ON YOUR TRAINING!!
... THAT'S THE KIND OF SUPPORT I GOT.

YEAH...
YOU DID IT! AS EXPECTED OF MY DISCIPLE!!

NOW IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO INVESTIGATE EVERY LITTLE DETAIL ABOUT THE BEAST AND TURN THEM OVER...
BUT BEFORE THAT, SHOULDN'T YOU REIMBURSE ME FOR MY INVENTION THAT YOU DESTROYED?
W- WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
UGH! MY INJURIES SUDDENLY ...
C- CALL THE NURSE, HURRY~!
...!
JANG MARI.
DON'T THINK THAT OUR SHOWDOWN IS OVER...
JUST BECAUSE WE'RE ON THE SAME TEAM NOW.
OK.
AS FOR HANA, NOTHING RUFFLES HER FEATHERS...
WE'RE HERE. LOOK.


THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL BE STAYING...
THE 9TH BEAST BASE -- THE NINTH STATION.

YOU'RE LATE, BARBARA.
OH, SORRY. IT TOOK A WHILE TO GET THE COMMITTEE'S APPROVAL.
GEEZ, MAKING ME STAND-BY AT THIS DESOLATE LOCATION...
THAT PERSON...!
IS THE LEGENDARY PILOT...!
OUR INSTRUCTOR!
IS TINY?
SHE'S TINY!
PLUS...
IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU.
I'M PAIGE O'HARA AND I'LL BE YOUR INSTRUCTOR.
NO MATTER HOW YOU SLICE IT, SHE'S A TOTAL BABYFACE WHO BARELY LOOKS TO BE IN HER 20'S!!

JUST NOW...
YOU THOUGHT I WAS TINY, HUH?
MY HEIGHT?
OR MY CHEST?

WHY DON'T WE GET ALONG, MY DEAR COMRADE~
BOOOM
EHHHH ~?!!
ANYWAY...
PLEASE REFRAIN FROM NEEDLESSLY SHOWING OFF YOUR CHEST IN FRONT OF ME.
YES, MA'AM...
A WEIRDO! WITH A TWISTED PERSONALITY !!
YOU'RE JANG MARI, RIGHT?
YESSIR ...!
THE HERO OF LE PRINCE.

GOOD TO MEET YOU.
SQUEEZE
꾸욱
I HEAR YOU PILOTED THE BEAST AND DEFEATED THE ERASERS, NOT ONCE BUT TWICE.
AND 2ND-GENERATION ONES AT THAT...
SQUEEEEEZE
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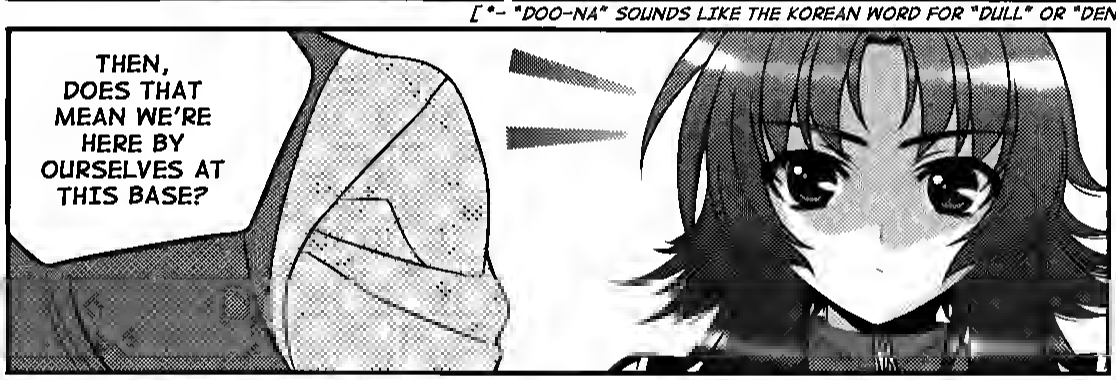
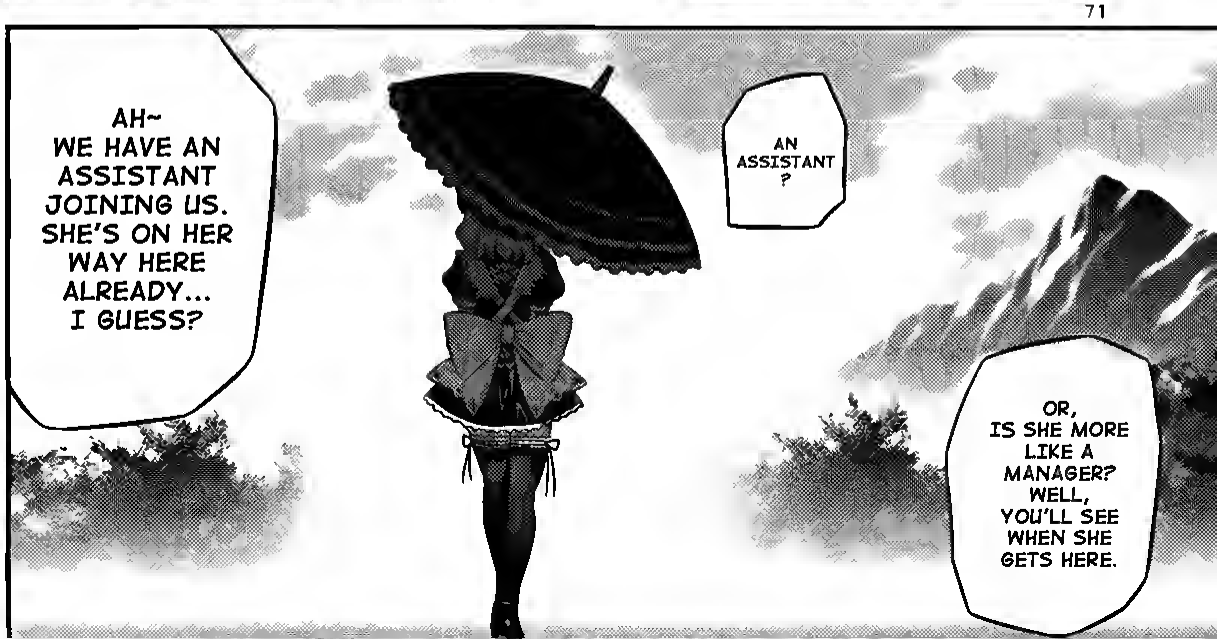
AH, YESSIR...
WOW~ YOU'RE AMAZING! IT'S LIKE I'M LOOKING AT ME FROM MY ACTIVE-DUTY DAYS.
Y-YESSIR...
O- OW! OW, THAT HURTS!!
WHAT'S THIS? I FEEL SUCH INTENSE HOSTILITY FROM HER GRIP...!!
COULD IT BE... THAT THIS PERSON KNOWS MARI FROM SOMEWHERE?

[*- "DOO-NA" SOUNDS LIKE THE KOREAN WORD FOR "DULL" OR "DENSE"]




AH~ WE HAVE AN ASSISTANT JOINING US. SHE'S ON HER WAY HERE ALREADY... I GUESS?
AN ASSISTANT ?
OR, IS SHE MORE LIKE A MANAGER? WELL, YOU'LL SEE WHEN SHE GETS HERE.

NOW, THEN...
HERE WE GO
SHALL WE GET STARTED WITH YOUR TRAINING?
...HUH?

H-HOLD ON!
WE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TIME TO UNPACK OUR THINGS!
WHAT ABOUT ROOM ASSIGNMENTS ...!
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YOU GUYS.
MAYBE YOU'RE UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT YOU'RE ON A CLASS TRIP OR SOMETHING.
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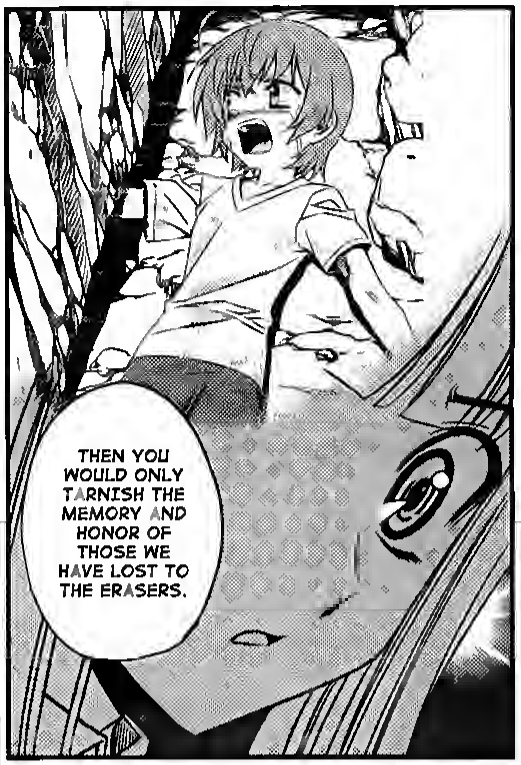
FLINCH!

OF COURSE,
YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE TIME PERIOD OF 2 MONTHS...
BUT CAN ANYONE GUARANTEE THAT THOSE 2ND-GENERATIONS WON'T SHOW UP DURING THOSE 2 MONTHS?
LET ME MAKE THIS CLEAR FROM THE BEGINNING.
THE FACT THAT YOU DEFEATED THE 2ND-GEN ERASERS... THAT WAS PURE, DUMB LUCK.

AND DURING THIS PERIOD, IF YOU CAN'T CULTIVATE YOUR SKILLS TO MORE THAN MAKE UP FOR THAT LUCK...
THERE WON'T BE A FUTURE LEFT FOR YOU GUYS!!

BEAST UNIT 9 IS THE HOPE FOR ALL OF HUMANITY, TO STAND UP AGAINST THE 2ND-GENERATION ERASERS!
IF YOU, THE CHOSEN AMONG MAGIC, AND THE BEAST CANNOT RISE TO OUR EXPECTATIONS NOW...


THEN YOU WOULD ONLY TARNISH THE MEMORY AND HONOR OF THOSE WE HAVE LOST TO THE ERASERS.

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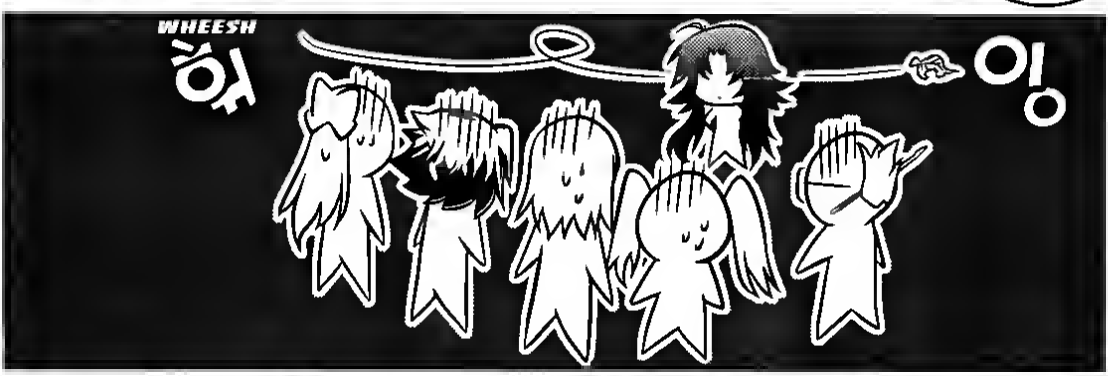
-SUCH ADMIRABLE WORDS FROM HER, ALL OF A SUDDEN...

AND ABOVE ALL!
IF YOU CANNOT PRODUCE SATISFACTORY RESULTS...

THEN I...
SUUK
GET AXED.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SO... WHERE DO WE START, MADAM INSTRUCTOR?
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AH.
WELL.
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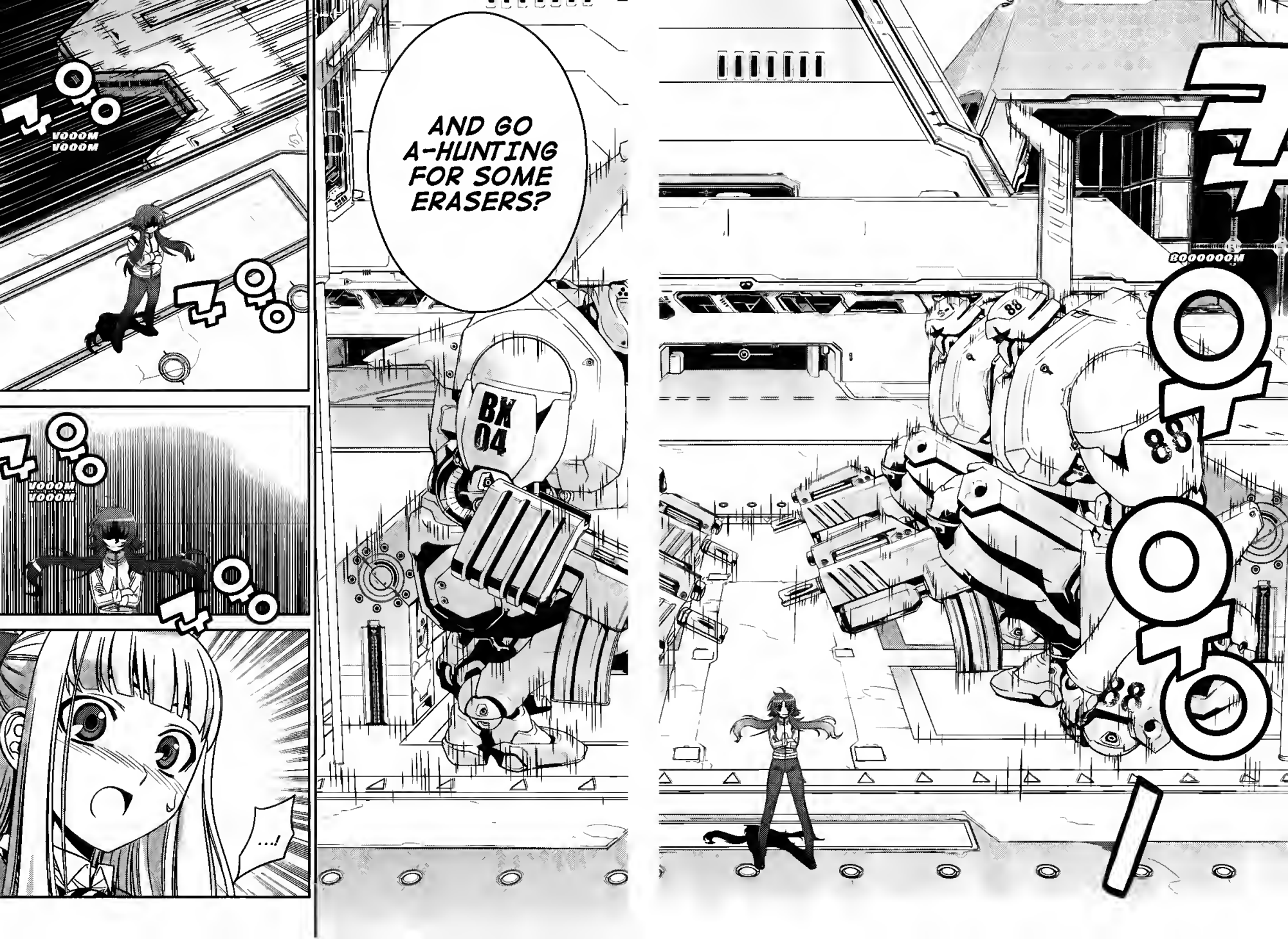
HOW ABOUT WE START WITH SOME WARM-UP...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VOOOM... VOOOM
...!
AND GO A-HUNTING FOR SOME ERASERS?
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AND THE PERSON WHO DIES OR GETS THE LOWEST SCORE...
DOESN'T GET ANY DINNER, ALRIGHT?
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HAVE THE CADETS ARRIVED SAFELY AT THE BASE, MR. VINCENT?
YES, THEY HAVE, ACCORDING TO THE REPORT JUST NOW.
IT SEEMS THEY ALREADY STARTED THEIR TRAINING.
HAHA, HOW DILIGENT OF THEM, EVEN ON THEIR FIRST DAY...
WELL, NO MATTER HOW OUTSTANDING THEY ARE, A PERIOD OF 2 MONTHS WOULD BE A STRETCH FOR THEM TO REACH A LEVEL COMPARABLE TO ACTIVE-DUTY SOLDIERS.
I HAVE HIGH HOPES FOR THEM, SINCE THEY HAVE A COMPETENT INSTRUCTOR, BUT...
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ON A RELATED NOTE...
SEEING AS HOW WE ACQUIESCED TO YOUR RATHER UNREASONABLE REQUEST...
WOULD IT BE ALRIGHT FOR ME TO CHOOSE THEIR OPPONENT FOR THE SIMULATION BATTLE?

IS IT FOR THE SAKE OF IMPARTIALITY?
IS THERE A TEAM YOU HAD IN MIND?
RIGHT, UNIT 6'S LUKE IS STILL INJURED...
NO, IT MIGHT BE A BIT TOO CRUEL TO HAVE THEM FACE ANY OF THE TOP 3...
HOW ABOUT BEAST TEAM 4?
BOOM
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A TEAM
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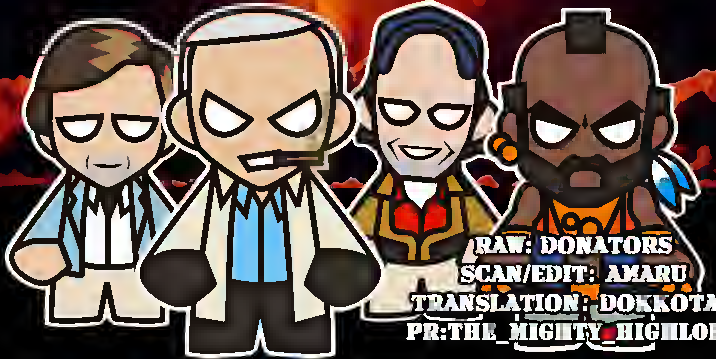

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